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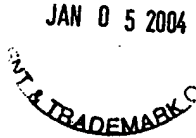
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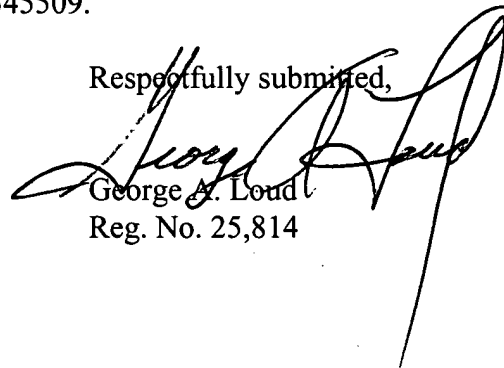
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the five (5) Japanese publications listed on the attached be considered and cited of record in connection with examination of the captioned application. Copies of the five (5) listed Japanese publications are submitted herewith along with a published English language abstract for each. The examiner's attention is also directed to the "Background of the Invention" at pages 1 and 2 of applicants' specification for a statement of the relevance of Japanese Kokai 2000-322695 and Japanese Kokai 05-345509.

Respectfully submitted,



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		2000-322695	11/24/00	JP				
		5-345509	12/27/93	JP				
		62-289421	12/16/87	JP				
		5-262251	10/12/93	JP				
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OTHER DOCUMENTS <i>(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</i>		

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